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AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 8611

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (EASUM)

SUBJ: VISIT TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. DURING MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MOBUTU 10 OCT I TOLD PRESIDENT OF YOUR SCHEDULED VISIT TO ZAIRE AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT HE WOULD RECEIVE YOU. HE HAD ALREADY HEARD FROM UMBA THAT YOU WERE COMING BUT WHEN I SPECIFIED DATES HE INDICATED HE WOULD BE TOURING UP-COUNTRY. AFTER FURTHER CONSIDERATION HE INVITED YOU TO LUNCH WITH HIM IN LUBUMBASHI OCT 22. I SUGGESTED THAT IF THIS WERE NOT CONVENIENT TO YOU, YOU MIGHT MEET WITH PRESIDENT ON MARGIN OF LUSAKA CELEBRATION. THIS HE EMPHATICALLY REJECTED, SAYING HE, PRESIDENT OF ZAIRE, WANTED TO MEET WITH YOU IN ZAIRE. ACCORDINGLY, I ACCEPTED IN PRICIPLE FOR US BOTH, BUT ARRANGED TO SEE ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER INONGA TO CONFIRM THIS ARRANGEMENT AND TO DISCUSS OTHER PLANS FOR YOUR VISIT.

2. WE HAD THOUGHT AIR VISIT TO INGA OCT 20, CALLS ON MAJOR PERSONALITIES, E.G., BISENGIMANA, NGUZA, UMBA, BOBOLIKO, ETC., AND MINIMUM SOCIAL CALENDAR OTHER THAN LIKELY FOREIGN MINISTER DINNER PLUS COUNTRY TEAM DISCUSSIONS, WOULD CONSTITUTE CORE OF YOUR PROGRAM. IF
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YOU SEE PRESIDENT IN LUBUMBASHI, AS I THINK YOU SHOULD,

WE COULD STILL DOO ALL OF THIS BUT WE WOULD REALLY HAVE
TO KEEP YOU HOPPING.

3. AS FOR HOLDEN ROBERTO AND DARIEL CHIPENDA, SHOULD WE
(A) REJECT APPROACH FROM THEM, IF IT COMES, (B) SEEK
MEETINGS FOR YOU WITH EITHER OR BOTH, OR (C) LEAVE
QUESTION OPEN UNTIL YOU ARE HERE?

4. I EXPECT TO SEE INONGA OCT 14 AND WOULD APPRECIATE
GUIDANCE.
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